

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

PRAVEEN SHARMA et al

Appln. No.: 09/429,003

Group Art Unit: 1649

Filed: October 29, 1999

Examiner: Unknown

For: METHOD OF PREPARING A STANDARD DIAGNOSTIC
GENE TRANSCRIPT PATTERN

REQUEST FOR REFUND

Assistant Commissioner
of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby respectfully request a refund in the amount of \$65.00, for the above-identified application.

Specifically, on February 1, 2000, Applicants filed a Submission of Missing Parts of Application, along with a Late Declaration filing fee in the amount of \$130.00. However, since Applicants are filing simultaneously herewith an executed Small Entity Status Declaration, Applicants are requested to be reimbursed for half of the above-noted large entity filing fee.

Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that a refund (in the amount of \$65.00) be restored to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 as Applicants are now claiming small entity status. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached for such purpose.

Respectfully submitted,


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SUBMISSION OF EXECUTED SMALL
ENTITY STATUS DECLARATION

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Sir:

Applicants submit herewith an executed Small Entity Status Declaration for the above-identified patent application. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at his Washington telephone number on any questions which might arise.

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METHOD OF PREPARING A STANDARD DIAGNOSTIC GENE
TRANSCRIPT PATTERN

For:

Attorney's
Docket No.: Q-56359VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
(37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27 (c)) -- SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

I hereby declare that I am

- the owner of the small business concern identified below:
 an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern
identified below:

NAME OF CONCERN

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ADDRESS OF CONCERN

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I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention, entitled METHOD OF PREPARING A STANDARD DIAGNOSTIC GENE TRANSCRIPT PATTERN by inventor Praveen SHARMA, Lonneborg ANDERS described in:

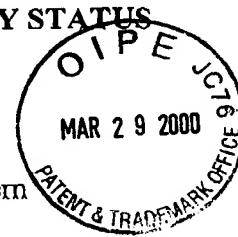
- the specification filed herewith
 Application No. 09/429,003
 Patent No. _____

If the rights held by the above identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed below* and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who could not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

*NOTE: Separate verified statement are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)

FULL NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

 INDIVIDUAL SMALL BUSINESS
CONCERN NONPROFIT
ORGANIZATION

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

NAME OF PERSON SIGNING

Kristoffer M. Winther

TITLE IN ORGANIZATION

Managing Director

ADDRESS OF PERSON SIGNING

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Signature

Kristoffer M. Winther

Date

24 FEBRUARY 2000

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